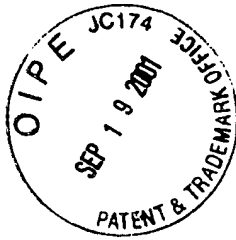


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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 11, 2001, the period for response having been extended two (2) months to October 11, 2001, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 are pending in the present application. Claims 1 and 12 are independent claims.

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